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Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claims 14-27, drawn to an electrical device with a covering film comprising a plastic material and at least one filler material that is different from the plastic material.

Group II, claims 28-33, drawn to a method of producing an electric device by laminating a covering film which comprises a plastic material and at least one filler material that is different from the plastic material.

2. The inventions listed as Groups I and II do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: Although the feature of a covering film comprising a plastic material and at least one filler material different from the plastic material, is common to both Groups, the feature is not novel over the prior art, and thus there is a lack of unity. For example, the reference of **Neu et al. (US 6,469,086)**, cited by Applicant, teaches a cover film for an electronic device wherein the cover film comprises a plastic material and at least one filler material different from the plastic material (col. 4, Ins. 62-67; col. 4, Ins. 17-31).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abul Kalam whose telephone number is (571)272-8346.

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